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SUBJ: KUWAIT AIR FORCE TRANSPORT PROBLEM

REF: A: KUWAIT 1121 DTG 110654Z MAR 75

B: SECDEF 4562 DTG 291802Z JAN 75

C: KUWAIT 0860 DTG 231027Z FEB 75

1. REFTEL (A) STATED KAF TRANSPORT PROBLEM WITH TWO OF FOUR AIRCRAFT OUT OF SERVICE AND REQUESTED RESPONSE ON C-7 ENGINE PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED AND GOOD OFFICES TO EXPEDITE RESPONSE FROM LOCKHEED (LAC) ON C-130 REPAIR.
2. KAF HAS NOW RECEIVED RESPONSE FROM LAC AND IS NOW MORE UNHAPPY THAN BEFORE. LAC WANTS SIX MONTHS TO PROVIDE PARTS.
3. BRITISH AERO-ENGINEER (CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE OF KAF) IS OF OPINION THAT ACCEPTABLE REPAIRS COULD BE MADE WITHIN STANDARD STOCKS MATERIEL EXCEPT FOR DOO. WHILE NOT EXPRESSING OPINION TO KUWAITIS, DOD REP (AVIATOR WITH MAINTENANCE EXPERIENCE) SEES NO REASON TO DISAGREE.
4. COMMANDER OF KAF HAS MADE A PERSONAL REQUEST TO DOD REP FOR HELP IN GETTING HIS C-130 REPAIRED. CONTENTS OF REFTEL (B) HAVE BEEN EXPLAINED. REQUEST WAS REITERATED.

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5. REQUEST REVIEW ALL POSSIBILITIES FOR OBTAINING DOOR SUCH AS SALVAGE FROM WRECK, BORROWING FROM AIRCRAFT IN DEPOT LEVEL MAINTENANCE, ETC. ALSO, REQUEST REVIEW POSSIBILITY OF SPECIAL REPAIR TEAM SUCH AS USED BY USAF AND USN TO REPAIR BATTLE DAMAGED AIRCRAFT IN SE ASIA.

6. THE CUMULATIVE EFFECT OF SLOW AND FREQUENTLY NEGATIVE RESPONSES TO GOK MILITARY REQUESTS OVER THE LAST FEW MONTHS IS CONCERN AMONG SENIOR KUWAIT MILITARY PERSONNEL. (REFTEL (C) HAS PROVIDED A LISTING, ETC.) A POSITIVE RESPONSE ON THIS REQUEST WOULD BE MOST WELCOME TO BOTH AMEMBASSY KUWAIT AND TO GOK. REQUEST ADVICE. STOLTZFUS

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